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## FRENCH UPHOLD NATIONS' LEAGUE BY GREAT VOTE

Senate and Deputies Give Overwhelming Vote of Confidence.

PRESIDENT MILLERAND IS FIRM AGAINST MILITARISM

But He Doesn't Want a Harding Association of Nations Without Teeth.

LEGUES POLICIES WIN

New Premier Outlines a Vigorous, Constructive Program, Which Is Indorsed.

[By Associated Press.]

PARIS, Sept. 25.—The Chamber of Deputies, after a debate on interpellations concerning the foreign and domestic policies of the government, voted confidence in the government this afternoon, 597 to 80.

Premier Leger then read a decree adjourning the extraordinary session of Parliament.

The presidential message was read in the Senate and Chamber of Deputies and Premier Leger read a cabinet declaration.

President Millerand's message said in part:

"In order that it be executed and respected there is a need of free executive power under the control of Parliament, and an independent judiciary. Confusion of authority always leads to tyranny. You must choose the time you deem best in consultation with the government to bring about prudently the desired modification of the Constitution."

"Our democracy builds hopes on the progress of the league of nations. Justice will be none the less certain to result in powerlessness and defeat if it is not supported by force."

**Policy in Foreign Affairs.**  
The cabinet declaration said its course in foreign affairs would be: "exact a strict application of treaties not to permit the violation of any of our rights; make the league of nations, with its powerful arm, to end the era of great wars, and to constitute the army and navy as a part of our policy to maintain our prestige at the height to which it has been lifted by our victory."

Georges Leger, new French Premier under the presidency of Millerand, won the Chamber of Deputies to his declared policies today and gained a vote of confidence of 597 against 80.

His first encounter with Parliament proved a big success over the socialist opposition, and after the confidence vote had been given the chamber voted adjournment, and the deputies ended their vacation period.

**Better Russia.**  
Russia is a program of government necessary to the European peace, and he expressed his hope that she would again become a great nation.

France, he added, would continue to aid Poland to establish herself as an independent nation.

"I will continue the program of work of my predecessor," M. Leger assured the chamber. "Internally I will defend liberty and law; I will foster and ameliorate republican institutions and bring to realization social reforms. I will alleviate the sufferings of the northern provinces and reconstitute the invaded districts."

"Externally, I will demand a strict application of the treaties concluded at the end of the war, making the society of nations a powerful and living organism."

The Premier gave warning that national concord was essential. France's victory in the war had shown the world that France is full of splendid vitality. Her services to humanity, he added, were grouped around her many of the other nations.

The statement was very favorably received and provoked loud applause. President Millerand, in his presidential statement today, outlined a program similar to that of Premier Leger, but added:

"One of the results of the war should be the abolition of obligatory military service. France, by its calmness and passionate devotion to peace and prosperity, has won the admiration of the world. Let us work, each one in his place, for more humanity and for more kindness."

He paid a tribute to the women of France, which he declared that at the most critical moments they proved themselves the equal of the men.

## ALABAMA UPPER HOUSE AIMS BILL AT RENT PROTECTIONS

Would Declare Contracts Void If Annual Rent Exceeds 18 Per Cent of Valuation.

MOBILE, Sept. 25.—A bill has been introduced in the Senate of the Alabama Legislature aimed at alleged rent profiteers. This bill would make all rental contracts void when the annual rent charged is in excess of 18 per cent of the assessed valuation of the property.

The bill provides that any firm, person or corporation taking or attempting to take personal property of any tenant placed in premises rented or leased by virtue of such lease except by legal process, will be guilty of a misdemeanor. This will be punishable by a fine not exceeding \$500 and not more than six

## Governor Cox Challenges Harding on Mystery Letter

CHEYENNE, WYO., Sept. 25.—Governor Cox here tonight challenged Senator Harding to answer whether or not he had written a "mysterious letter" to Senator Johnson, of California, in which he is alleged to have made "a direct and absolute promise" that if elected he will "sweep the league."

This "mysterious letter" has been the subject of comment by newspaper correspondents for several days, and may prove to be one of the real sensations of the campaign.

## COX OPPOSES AMERICAN MANDATE FOR ARMENIA

Nominee Tells Colorado Audience He Backs Democratic Platform on This Matter.

ANSWERS BONUS QUESTION

Declares He Is for Giving Every Service Man Farm and Home of Own—Favors the Smith-Fletcher Reclamation Bill.

[By Associated Press.]

GREELEY, COL., Sept. 25.—Speaking before a large audience here today, Governor Cox said he was in favor of giving every service man a farm and a home of his own.

A question drew the following statement from the Colorado mandate from Governor Cox: "The Democratic convention voted against imposing a mandate on Armenia, and I stand on the San Francisco platform."

Asked about a soldier's bonus, the Governor replied: "I think I stand for something better. I'm for adopting the Smith-Fletcher reclamation bill for reclaiming millions of acres and then I favor giving every one of you service men a farm and a home of his own."

In reply to another question regarding prohibition, the Governor reiterated his statement for law enforcement and of his Sunday saloon closing in Ohio, adding that he noticed that Senator Harding's secretary admitted that the Republican candidate owned a brewery stock.

In the 1918 elections and 1920 primaries, Governor Cox said, there was "an approach to Newberryism in Colorado."

Several hundred persons heard the Governor at Greeley, and he spoke at Fort Lupton for twenty minutes. He also made a brief rear-platform talk at Brighton.

James M. Collins, Nonpartisan League member, nominated for Governor on the Democratic ticket, accompanied the Governor from Denver to Eaton, and at Brighton urged the crowd to support Governor Cox.

CHEYENNE, WYO., Sept. 25.—Wyoming today received the league of nations and other Democratic doctrines from Governor Cox at Laramie and Cheyenne. Both at Laramie and here tonight the presidential candidate gave his reasons, international and domestic, for American participation in the league, emphasizing practical arguments for Western support of increased markets through world stability, for Western products and use of funds, saved by disarmament, in developing Western resources.

The Governor reached Laramie late, speaking in a theater there and returning for his night address here.

The Governor will remain here over Sunday and on Monday will tour Nebraska, with South Dakota, Kansas and Missouri to follow in the last week of his Western trip, which closes next Saturday at Kansas City.

## BARRETT, WANTED IN LONDON FOR THEFT OF JEWELS, IS MISSING

Charges Filed by British Consul at Request of Mrs. John D. Spreckels, Jr.

[By Universal Service.]

LOS ANGELES, CAL., Sept. 25.—Federal officers tonight were seeking Captain William Barrett, former member of the American aviation service and well known in society circles of Eastern cities and Europe, for whose arrest a warrant was issued today by Commissioner Long on charges alleging the embezzlement of \$150,000 worth of personal property and jewels from Mrs. John D. Spreckels, Jr., who is in London.

The charges were filed by Commissioner Long by a Lester Best, acting consul for Great Britain. Best submitted an affidavit in which he requested Barrett's arrest and extradition to London on information received by him from Sir Auckland Geddes, British ambassador at Washington. The warrant was issued by Commissioner Long and delivered to Federal authorities for service.

Barrett, who was located here several days ago, asserted that he knew nothing whatever regarding Mrs. Spreckels' jewels, which she charged he gave him to insure. Police are on vigilance over him was withdrawn when Attorney Gelsler, representing Barrett, threatened habeas corpus proceedings. Barrett promised to have the police informed as to his whereabouts. Thursday night he went to Pasadena.

## SEABOARD AIR LINE RAILWAY

Exceptionally Low Rates—Railroad and Pullman—U. C. V. Reunions

Tickets on sale October 2-3-4. Final fare October 5-6. Pullman to Boston October 7-8. Pullman to New York October 9-10.

## TOBACCO GROWERS OF STATE ORGANIZE FOR PROTECTION

Greatest Meeting of Farmers Ever Assembled in Virginia Is Held.

WAREHOUSEMEN ASKED TO SUSPEND SALES UNTIL OCT. 4

Local Units Are to Be Organized Throughout Virginia—Carolina Belt.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

DANVILLE, VA., Sept. 25.—At two rousing meetings held here today, said to be the largest gathering of countrymen ever held here, the Virginia Tobacco Growers' Association was brought into being for the purpose of meeting the problems growing out of the general tobacco situation. Officers were not elected today but a nominating committee of farmers on both sides of the State line was named to meet here Friday to make recommendations, which will be acted on at another mass-meeting to be held here next Saturday. Under the terms of a resolution offered this afternoon every farmer was delegated and requested to return to his own precinct and there organize local units of the organization and to preach the doctrine of crop curtailment next year and the necessity of wholehearted co-operation with the movement just formed. Various committees appointed will hold meetings during the coming week and by next Saturday will have reports to present. The most important action taken during the organization was the unanimous adoption of a resolution calling on the tobacco warehousemen in the old belt, which takes in part of Virginia and North Carolina, to continue to suspend their sales until October 4. The committee was urged to get into touch with all the holding in that belt before Monday and serve what was taken to mean notice on the warehousemen. The sales were to have been resumed here Monday and it was expected that some favorable reaction in prices would be seen. The "Barnyard" businessmen this evening declined to discuss holding "fixing" of last year's world series were abandoned today, and Hartley Replegie, in charge of the inquiry, announced that no members of the team would be called until the end of the baseball season.

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## The Evening Dispatch And Journal

[From Yesterday's Evening Journal.]

TO OUR READERS

WITH this issue of The Evening Journal ownership passes to The Times-Dispatch Company, of Richmond, which has acquired, by purchase, the physical plant, subscription lists, goodwill and advertising contracts of this paper. After nearly five years of ownership of The Evening Journal, the retiring publisher finds the increased cost of white paper and labor so heavy a burden that, not having sufficient capital to meet with equanimity the constantly increasing expenses, he has deemed it advisable to accept the offer made for the property, thus insuring the continued publication of The Evening Journal by a well-intrenched corporation enjoying the unbounded respect and confidence of the community. By such a merger much of the overhead is necessarily absorbed.

All outstanding obligations will be met promptly by the retiring owner, who asks that accounts due him be given similar attention. Of course, it is not without a pang of regret that we retire from the Richmond field, in many respects it has been a fascinating experience, the course we have elected to pursue not always has been popular, locally, but, at least, we have served the public according to our conscience and our lights. We have allowed for no vacation in these many months of application, the work demanding our untiring attention, which has been cheerfully given. If the paper, and the editor, have made friends, let us hope they were won by the sincerity of our purpose. Where our readers have disagreed with the views set forth in the editorial columns, may we not hope that they also respected the deep beliefs that prompted their utterance and so hold the writer in kindly remembrance?

To our good friends, the merchants, who have so loyally supported The Evening Journal, we owe a debt of gratitude; they have shown and it is fully appreciated. We know the merchants will strive to enjoy the confidence and esteem of our advertisers, and we have no hesitation in saying they will be well served. California is a long way from Richmond. But the mind can travel with instantaneous rapidity and our Virginia friends will never be forgotten. Hall and farewell! SAM T. CLOVER.

Confirming the foregoing announcement, The Evening Dispatch and Journal will be published tomorrow. It will speak for itself.

## GRAND JURY ABANDONS SUBPOENA OF PLAYERS

Members of White Sox Team Not to Be Called Until End of Season.

PROBE MAY LAST MONTHS

American and National League Officials Making Secret Investigation—Wife of Player Said to Have Been Heavy Better.

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## JACOB H. SCHIFF, FAMOUS BANKER, DIES SUDDENLY

Passes Away in His Home in New York at Age of Seventy-Three.

WONDERFUL CAREER OF INTERNATIONAL FINANCIER

Foremost in Jewish Charities and Champion of Good Government.

[By Associated Press.]

NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—Jacob H. Schiff, widely known banker and philanthropist, died at his home here tonight at the age of 73.

Mr. Schiff's death was due to arterio-sclerosis. He was stricken six months ago, members of the family said, but had not suffered to any extent until August, when he was compelled to return home from a sojourn in the White Mountains. His condition gradually became worse and he was confined to his home ten days ago.

Mr. Schiff's wife, his son, Mortimer L. Schiff, and his daughter, Mrs. Felix Warburg, were called to his bedside this afternoon when physicians gave up hope of recovery.

Two brothers, Phillip and Ludwig Schiff, merchants of Frankfurt-on-Main, Germany, also survived him.

Long Prominent in Finance

The name of Jacob H. Schiff has been associated with the financial history of New York and of this country for a quarter of a century. At intervals in that time Mr. Schiff was active part in the financial development of Union Pacific, the Great Northern and other railroads, and utility corporations in the United States.

Backed by foreign capital, Mr. Schiff and the firm of Kuhn, Loeb & Co., supported the late E. H. Harriman in the great financial adventure by which the Union Pacific Railroad was reorganized in 1897, and in the subsequent transactions by which the Southern Pacific and other railroads.

This operation is regarded as one of the most important in which Mr. Schiff engaged, and it involved a vast sum of money, possibly hundreds of millions of dollars, gave Mr. Schiff a prestige among New York banking houses which endured for the remainder of his life, and it contributed to make E. H. Harriman the best-known railroad organizer in the United States.

Placed Japanese Loan

Another important enterprise which Mr. Schiff undertook as head of his firm was the placing in this country of a large Japanese loan when Japan went to war with Russia. Some years later Mr. Schiff expressed regret that he had been instrumental in providing funds which helped to place Japan among the leading nations of the world as a military power.

Born at Frankfurt, Germany, January 10, 1847, Mr. Schiff was educated in Germany, and when he was 18 removed to New York, where he entered upon his business career, beginning as a bank clerk. A few years afterwards he became a member of a firm of bankers and brokers. In 1875 Mr. Schiff married Theresa, daughter of Solomon Loeb, and became a member of the firm of Kuhn, Loeb & Co., of which his father-in-law was the senior partner.

When Mr. Loeb retired ten years later, Mr. Schiff became head of the firm and has since occupied that position. After his successful share in the financing of the Union Pacific reorganization, Mr. Schiff became one of the most widely known and influential bankers of New York. He has been director of a number of leading banks, trust life insurance, railroad and utility companies, in the United States.

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